

## House Resolution No. 4682

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself through many years of excellence in fire protection; and

**Whereas**, Russell Cooper officially retired as Assistant Chief of the State of Missouri Fire Department at Rosecrans MAP on July 31, 2007, after twenty-three years of exceptional service and dedication; and

**Whereas**, during his impressive tenure, Russell Cooper responded to every conceivable emergency situation and served in the positions of firefighter and crew chief before becoming Assistant Chief; and

**Whereas**, an Air Force firefighter for thirteen years, Russell Cooper ran the Department's extinguisher maintenance fire prevention, plans review, and inspection programs; and

**Whereas**, with each promotion, Russell Cooper trained his replacement and served as a true mentor to all the firefighters he worked with; and

**Whereas**, a member of Firefighters Local 77, IAFF, and AFL-CIO, Russell Cooper has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of his wonderful wife, Nina:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Russell Cooper for his twenty-three years of unparalleled service to the State of Missouri Fire Department at Rosecrans MAP; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Assistant Chief Russell Cooper.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Ed Wildberger  
District No. 27

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4682, adopted September 10, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker